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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Research)
SUBJECT : Communications Personnel - OSA

25X1 1. The attached memorandum prepared for your signature, indicates concurrence in the Office of Communication's proposal that OSA's immediate need for communications personnel be met by 1) contracting with the [redacted] for technical personnel and 2) looking to the military as a source for cryptographers and radio operators.

2. We have been advised by the Office of Communications that the annual cost of this type of technical representative is approximately [redacted] For the military detailees the cost is roughly \$5,000 per man per year. Added to these basic charges of course will be transportation, overtime for the technical representatives, per diem, etc.

3. Considering the lead time required before even these types of personnel can be identified and cleared, it appears that at best we could have only a very few, if any, of them on board before the end of FY 63 and then for only a month or two. Our Budget and Fiscal people believe that any costs resulting from such a minimal increase of personnel can be met from available FY 63 funds.

4. We hope to have an overall T/O paper prepared for you within the next few days. Such a paper will include cost projections for not only increased staff employee positions but will also present a cost estimate for the total number of communications technical representatives for FY 64.

Attach: a, [redacted]

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